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The following is a tabulation of Soviet supply shipments loaded at 40 railroad stations in the Erfurt regional railroad district in August 1952:

B - boxcar F - flatcar F/S - flatcar with sideracks
SS - SS-type flatcar

1. Total Shipments:

From	Number of Cars	Load	
Apolda	5	military goods	
Arnstadt	11	flour	
Bad Koesen	32	2 trains with undetermined load	1
Crawinkel	189	5 trains with undetermined load (170 cars) and other military goods	1
Donndorf	7	tanks and motor vehicles	
Eisfeld	3	firewood	
Eisenach	228	6 trains with undetermined load (191 cars) and other military goods	1
Ellrich	1	firewood	
Emleben	57	1 train with undetermined load	1
Erfurt	97	ration supplies (90 cars) and other military goods	
Gera	11	military goods	
Gutha	13	"	
Graefenthal	2	poles	
Gross-Furra	2	firewood	
Heiligenstadt	1	"	
Jena	25	1 train with undetermined load (21 cars) and other military goods	1
Lossa	17	tanks (8 cars), vehicles and other military goods	
Luisenthal	1	lumber	
Marbach	106	ration supplies	
Mechterstaedt	168	4 trains with undetermined load (138 cars) and other military goods	1
Meiningen	131	1 train with vehicles	
Muehlhausen	2	military goods	

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Muenchenbernsdorf	35	oil (18 cars), gasoline (17 cars)	
Naumburg	101	2 trains with undetermined load	1
		(77 cars) and other military goods	
Ohrdruf	370	8 trains with vehicles and soldiers	2
		(358 cars) and military goods	
Rossleben	170	3 trains with vehicles and soldiers	2
		(162 cars), vehicles (8 cars)	
Rudolstadt	42	1 train with vehicles	
Saalfeld	4	sedans (3 cars), porcelain	
Schmoelln	5	foot wear	
Steinbach	2	hardware	
Suhl	5	bicycles and other military goods	
Tannrode	2	paper	
Walddorf	2	firewood	
Weida	1	bags	
Weimar	161	2 trains with undetermined load (80 cars)	1
		mail (31 cars) and other military goods	
Weissenfels	5	engines and wire tacks, foot wear	
Worbis	1	anodes	
Zella-Mehlis	1	aircraft	
Zwinge	10	flour	
Zeitz	55	ration supplies (41 cars) and other military goods	3

2. Some of the shipments in the list are broken down below:

Date in August 1952	Number of Cars	Load	From	To	
			Dispatcher	Dispatcher	25X1
31	4 B	military goods	Apolda	Fuerstenwalde	
4	16 B and F/S	"	Bad Koesen	Eisenach	25X1
20		"	"	Gotha	25X1
12 through 24	14 B and F/S	"	"	Mechterstaedt	
2	36	"	Crawinkel	Wolmirstadt	
7	46	"	Crawinkel	Haldensleben	25X1
9	27 F/S	"	Crawinkel	Frankfurt/Oder	4
	6 SS	"	Crawinkel	Wolmirstadt	25X1
10	35	"	"	Haldensleben	4
	2 SS	"			
30	26	"	Crawinkel	Altengrabow	6
4 through 30	12	"	Crawinkel	Naumburg, Markersdorf, Muenchenbernsdorf, Annaburg, Jena, Altenhain, Koenigswusterhausen	25X1
17	3 SS	tanks	Donndorf	Wolmirstadt	4
5	3 F	vehicles	Eisenach	Wildpark	
	3 F	sedans			25X1

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5	18	military goods	Eisenach	Frankfurt/Oder	
7	7 F	motor vehicles	Eisenach	Bad Koesen	25X1
11	17	military goods	Eisenach	Rossleben	
24	5	sheet metal	Eisenach	Wudicke	7
11	4	military goods	Eisenach	Koenigswusterhausen	
12	39	"	Eisenach	Wolmirstedt	4
14	47 B and F/S	"	"		25X1
26	13 SS	"	Eisenach	Schwerin	8
27	16 and 4 SS	"	Eisenach	Koenigswusterhausen	
28	3	"	Eisenach	Koenigswusterhausen	
28	36 F/S	"	Eisenach	Frankfurt/Oder	5
6	56	"	Erleben	Altengrabow	6
30	45 B	"	Erfurt	Marbach	
9	11 B and F/S	"	Gera	Brandis	
2	13	"	Gotha	Markersdorf, Leipzig, Luckenwalde	
4	14	"	Jena	Wolmirstedt	4
2	7 SS	"			25X1
through 21	17	2 tanks	Lossa	Kirchmoeser	
		2 tanks	"	Hohenstein	
		2 tanks	"	Halle	
		ammunition and vehicles	"	Altenhain	
15	39	military goods	"	Erfurt	
24		"	Mechterstaedt	Altengrabow	6
21	50	vehicles and military goods	"	Rossleben	
7	38	"	"	Rueckmarsdorf	9
through 24	8	vehicles	"	Bernau, Halle, Merseburg, Miltitz, Strausberg	
12	22	vehicles and military goods	"	Altenhain, Bad Koesen, Koenigswusterhausen, Leipzig, Luckenwalde	
through 30				Muenchenbernsdorf	
26	11	military goods	"	Naumburg	
27	129 B and F/S	vehicles	Meiningen	Merseburg	9
5	51 F/S	military goods	Naumburg	Ohrdruf	10
20	26	"	"	Frankfurt/Oder	
6	12	"	"	Mechterstaedt	
through 30				Eisenach, Plauen, Jena, Koepfelsdorf, Crawinkel	
6	33 F	vehicles	Ohrdruf	Plauen	
6	11 F	"	"	Eisenach	
8	4 SS	"	"		
8	22 F	"	Ohrdruf	Wolmirstedt	4
18	9 SS	"	"		
18	49 F	"	"	Altengrabow	6
15	15 B	soldiers and equipment	"		

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20	37 F 9 B	vehicles soldiers	Ohrdruf	Rossleben	}	
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	29 F 16 B	"	"	Plauen		
23	1	military goods	Ohrdruf	Muenchenbernsdorf	}	
31	32 F 10 B	vehicles and soldiers	Ohrdruf	39375 Meiningen		
25X1	[redacted]					
31	34 F 18 B	"	"	"	}	10
25X1	[redacted]					
6	53	"	Rossleben	Ohrdruf		11
28	58 F	vehicles	Rossleben	Mechterstaedt	}	
25X1	[redacted]					
29	50 F	"	"	Eisenach		9
25X1	[redacted]					
15	3	sedans	Sasfeld	Ohrdruf		
2	42 F	vehicles	Rudolstadt	Frankfurt/Oder	5	25X1
25X1	[redacted]					
26 through 30	5 B	foot wear	Schmoelln	Bernau		25X1
10	1	tool boxes	Steinbach	Falkensee		25X1
11 through 19	3 B	bicycles	Suhl	Eisenspalterei		
2 through 12	2	military goods	Weimar	Nohra		25X1
11	41	"	Weimar	Altengrabow	}	
11	39	"	"	"		6
3 through 23	14	furniture	Weimar	Gotha, Muehlhausen, Meiningen, Bad Salzungen		
2 through 30	16 F	sedans	"	Halle, Luckenwalde, Markersdorf, Koenigs- wusterhausen, Frankfurt/Oder Nordhausen		
6	4	military goods	Weimar			25X1
1 through 31	31 B	mail	Weimar	Potsdam		25X1
31	1 B	wire tacks	Weissenfels	Griebnitzsee		25X1
3	1 F	aircraft	Zella-Mehlis	Ellerholz		
1	4	military goods	Zeitz	Glauchau		
4	6 SS					
4	4	soldiers and equipment	"	Crawinkel		
1 through 3	2	bread	Zeitz	Weimar		25X1
5 through 21	14 B	bread	Zeitz	Weimar		
4 through 5	25 B	flour	"	Marbach		25X1
5 through 14	10 B	"	Zwinge	Marbach		25X1
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- 25X1 1. [] Comment. Possibly, troop shipments.
2. [] Comment. Probably, troop shipments.
3. [] Comment. Omitting the trains with undetermined cargo and those which probably carried troops, the total number of shipments amounts to 747 carloads. This volume corresponds to the average volume of loadings handled in the Erfurt regional railroad district per month. [] There were no extraordinary shipments or routing of traffic.
- 25X1 4. [] Comment. The train with the [] observed on 2 August carried elements of the 68th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt, [] of the 20th Gds Mecz Div. After the train departed from Jena on 4 August it carried elements of the 65th Tank Tng Bn (US), [] of the 20th Gds Mecz Div and the other trains carried unidentified tank components of the XXVIII and XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps. All units were transported to Letzling Heath for short-term firing practices that would last eight days. Source did not cover the return of the troops.
- 25X1 5. [] Comment. Probably, departure of old motor vehicles.
6. [] Comment. The train from Crawlinkel to Altengrabow on 30 August carried elements of the 24th RL Bn (US), [] of the 20th Gds Mecz Div. Another source reported the train to have run under []
- 25X1 [] The train from Emleben to Altengrabow on 6 August was probably observed in Altengrabow when it was unloaded on 7 August. Among the materiel unloaded were rocket launchers and motor vehicles of the 316th RL Regt (US) of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, which, in the summer of 1952, had been stored in Camp Petriroda near Emleben. [] On 11 August, elements of the 13th AAA Div were probably transferred from Weimar to Altengrabow. The identity of the units on the shipments observed at the railroad stations of Mechterstaedt, Eisenach and Ohrdruf, going to Altengrabow, could not be determined. However, it is assumed that they were artillery units of the two corps of the Eighth Gds Army.
- 25X1 7. [] Comment. An airfield is under construction near Grosswudicke. The sheet metal from Eisenach were runway mats manufactured by the BMW firm in Eisenach.
- 25X1 8. [] Comment. [] the 10th Gds RL Regt of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps in Schwerin; it confirms the regiment there until 23 August. The presence of elements of the regiment at the Kindel troop training ground could not be determined.
- 25X1 9. [] Comment. At the end of August, an exchange of units of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps took place between the troop training ground of Kindel and Lossa. It appears that equipment of the 94th RL Regt (US) was transferred from the Kindel troop training grounds to Leipzig-Schoenau via the Rueckmarsdorf railroad station and equipment of the 76th Arty Brig (US) was transferred from there to Merseburg during the same period.
- 25X1 10. [] Comment. Therefore it is believed that the majority of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div from Meiningen practiced at the Ohrdruf troop training grounds between 27 and 31 August. The units were also observed []
- 25X1 [] in addition, identified a train []
- 25X1 11. [] Comment. Movements between the Lossa troop training grounds and the Ohrdruf troop training grounds were reported in July 1952.
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12. Comment. [] the 655th How Arty Regt of the
57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div from Naumburg until 5 August 1952. []
[] an office of the Hq Eighth Gds Army in Weimar-Nohra
until 12 August. [] are unknown. The []
belong to headquarters and units in the Eighth Gds Army area which
were confirmed at later date or to supply installations in east
Germany known from previous reports.

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